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New Advertisements

DOMINION GOVERNMENT
SAVINGS BANKS.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that under authority of Act 34 Vict. Chap. 6 of the Parliament of Canada Dominion Government Savings Banks will be opened on the 2d December next at the undermentioned places in the Province of British Columbia and in charge of the following Officers:

JOHN GRAHAM, ESQ., Assistant Receiver General Manager of

HEAD OFFICE VICTORIA.

F. G. CLAUDET, ESQ., Acting Agent of Branch at New Westminster.
JAMES HARVEY ESQ., Acting Agent of Branch at Nanaimo.

Until further notice deposits will be received at the above mentioned Savings Banks in sums of not less than One Dollar and multiples of a Dollar. All deposits will bear interest from date of deposit to date of withdrawal at the rate of Five per cent per annum, the interest accrued to 30th June being added to principal on that date every year.

Moneys can be withdrawn without notice to the extent of $100 but for any sum in excess of that amount, Seven Days Notice must be given by Depositors.

As all Savings Banks established under the Colonial Ordinances will be closed on the 30th November next, it has been arranged that the cheques of the Provincial Treasurer in liquidation of Colonial Savings Bank liabilities shall be received in the Dominion Savings Banks and bear interest from that date if deposited before the 1st January next.

By Order.

THOMAS D. TIMS,
Financial Inspector.

Finance Department of Canada,
Victoria, 18th October 1872. ec18td31

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This is the Motto of WILLIAM ANDEAN, who now offers at his Store in Government street, (opposite the St. Nicholas Hotel) the following Seasonable Goods, at the Lowest Prices for cash: New Invoices of

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IN THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1872, 1873.

City of Victoria, Water.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT application is intended to be made to the Legislative Assembly during the next ensuing session for leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate a Company to be called The City of Victoria Waterworks Company, and to enable The Company to construct and maintain Works for supplying the City and District of Victoria with water, and to construct and maintain reservoirs, sluices, ditches, drains, conduits, embankments, pumps, steam and other engines necessary for the purpose of bringing pure water from Elk Lake to Victoria with power to make deviations and to take water from Prospect Lake, Swan Lake, and Cedar Hill Lake, or any of them, and to make all necessary works for such purpose, and to cross, alter, divert, or stop up any roads, streets, public places, bridges, works, pipes, sewers, drains, streams, and water courses, and to purchase by compulsion or otherwise any lands and other hereditaments requisite for the purposes aforesaid. Also, to raise further sums of money, and to increase their capital by the creation of shares or stock, with or without preference, priority, or guarantee on payment of interest or dividend, or with other special rights and privileges, and by borrowing on mortgage or debenture, or by all or any of such means, and to enable The Company to levy tolls, rates, and charges for the supply of water, and to make provisions for preventing the waste of the water supplied, and to adopt proper regulations in reference thereto.

The Bill will vary, and extinguish all existing rights and privileges which would interfere with its objects, and will incorporate with itself all or some of the provisions of The Vancouver Island Land Clauses Consolidation Acts, 1863.

And notice is hereby further given that plans and sections of the said proposed works, and the lands in or through which the same are intended to be made, or which may be taken for the purposes aforesaid, together with a book of reference to such plans; and, also, a copy of this notice as published in the B. C. "Gazette," will be deposited for public inspection on or before the 30th day of November next, with the Clerk of the Bench in the City of Victoria, at his office at Bastion street, in the said City, and that a copy of so much of the said plans, sections, and book of reference as relates to each District in or through which the works are proposed to be made or maintained; and, also, a copy of this notice as published in the "Gazette" will be deposited for public inspection on or before the said 30th day of November next, at the public school houses in and for each district.

DRAKE & JACKSON,
no28 Solicitors for Promoters

In the Legislative Assembly,

SESSION 1872-1873.

CITY OF VICTORIA-WATER.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that application is intended to be made to the Legislative Assembly during the next ensuing session for leave to bring in a Bill for the purpose of enabling the Municipal Council of the City of Victoria to construct and maintain Works for supplying the City and District of Victoria with water, and to construct and maintain reservoirs, sluices, ditches, drains, conduits, embankments, pumps, steam and other engines, necessary for the purpose of bringing pure water from Elk Lake to Victoria, with power to make deviation and to take water from Prospect Lake, Beaver Lake, Swan Lake, and Cedar Hill Lake, or any of them, and to make all necessary works for such purpose, and to cross, break open, alter, divert, or stop up any road, streets, public places, bridges, works, pipes, sewers, drains, streams, and water-courses, and to purchase by compulsion or otherwise any lands, houses and other hereditaments requisite for the purposes aforesaid.

And for the purpose of enabling the said Corporation to raise money by issuing debentures and levying rates, for the payment of the principal sum, interest thereon and Sinking Fund, and of obtaining from the Provincial Government a guarantee at the rate not exceeding an amount to be therein referred to, or otherwise for the purpose of the Bill, as also for the purpose of levying tolls and charges for the supply of water, and to make provision for preventing the waste of water supplied, and to adopt proper regulations in reference thereto, and also to raise money by borrowing on mortgage.

The bill will incorporate with itself all or some of the provisions of the "Vancouver Island Lands Clauses Consolidation Act, 1863," and all or some of the clauses of the "Public Works Act, 1872."

The plans and sections may now be seen at the Land Office, James Bay.

And notice is hereby further given, that plans and sections of the said proposed works, and the lands in or through which the same are intended to be made, or which may be taken for the purposes aforesaid, together with a Book of Reference to such plans, and also a copy of this notice as published in the *British Columbia Gazette*, will be deposited for public inspection on or before the 30th day of November instant, with the Clerk of the Bench, Victoria, and that a copy of so much of the said plans, sections and books of reference as relates to each District in or through which the works are proposed to be made or maintained; and also a copy of this notice as published in the "Gazette" will be deposited for public inspection on or before the 30th day of November, at the Public School House in each District.

HENRY CLASSON COURTNEY,
Solicitor for the Municipal Council of the City of Victoria, for the purposes of the undertaking.
de12 Langley Street, Victoria.

Wanted.

A COMFORTABLE BED ROOM, WITH or without board, in the house of a private family centrally situated in town. Apply X Standard Office.
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Miscellaneous Advertisements.

In the Supreme Court of British Columbia.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

A Deed bearing date the 16th day of November, 1872 and made between Gideon Corey Gerow and Aaron Johnson of Victoria, Province of British Columbia, lately trading as Expressmen under the name of Gerow & Johnson of the first part, and William Parsons Sayward of the City of Victoria aforesaid of the second part and the several creditors of the said Gerow & Johnson of the third part. The said parties of the first part assigned to the said William Parsons Sayward all the real and personal estate, property, credits and effects, for the benefit of the creditors of the said Gideon Corey Gerow and Aaron Johnson excepting as therein mentioned. The said deed was brought into this office for registration on Monday the 18th day of November, 1872, at the hour of 2:45 P. M., and was duly registered according to the provisions of the Bankruptcy Act, 1862.

RICHARD WOODS,
no20 Registrar.

In the Supreme Court of British Columbia.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

A DEED bearing date the 24th day of October A. D., 1872, and made between Robert Watson of the Town of Clinton of the first part and Alfred Fellows and James Burns both of the City of Victoria of the second part, grants and assigns in manner therein mentioned, all the Estate and effects for the benefit of the Creditors of the said Robert Watson except as therein mentioned. The execution of the said deed was attested by Edwin Johnson, Solicitor, Victoria. The said deed was deposited in the office of the Registrar, Supreme Court for Registration on Thursday, 31st day of October, 1872, at 11:30 A. M., and was duly Registered by me according to the provisions of the Bankruptcy Act, 1862.

CHAS. E. POOLEY,
Deputy Registrar S. C.
Supreme Court, Registrar's Office. dec4d&w

Victoria Gaol Supplies.

TENDERS will be received up to noon of Tuesday the 7th January, 1873, at the Police Office, addressed to J. Howe Sullivan, Warden of Gaol, for the Supply of the following articles.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Bread	per lb
Beef	"
Potatoes	"
Vegetables	"
Tea	"
Coffee	"
Sugar	"
Pearl Barley	"
Soap	"
Soda	"
Wood	per cord
Coal	" ton
Coal Oil	" gallon
Tobacco	" lb
Pepper	"
Salt	"
Blacking	per doz. boxes
Stove Polish	per doz. packets.

Victoria, 27th December, 1872. de28td

Sparrowhawk,

NEITHER THE OWNERS OR UNdersigned will be responsible for any debts contracted on behalf of the Sparrowhawk without their authority.

SPROAT & CO.,
Agents for Owners.
Wharf street, December 24th, 1872. de28

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Bought direct from the Manufacturers and equal in Style to the best Custom-made, has been received per Steamer "Idaho," by

ROBERT BEAVEN,
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THOMAS McGLASHAN

BEGS TO INFORM THE PUBLIC That he has opened a Cigar Stand adjoining the "Grotto," on Government street, and that he is prepared to supply the best brands of Cigars, first rate qualities of Tobacco, Pipes and other Smokers Articles at moderate prices.

A trial is respectfully Solicited. de11

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Importers & Commission MERCHANTS.
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On Government Street, commencing at 8 o'clock sharp, and will continue the same every

THURSDAY AND SATURDAY EVENINGS

until further notice.

N. B.—A full String Band will be in attendance.
del21m

DANCING.

MRS. MARTIN'S DANCING ACADEMY Gymnasium Hall, View street, will open on TUESDAY AND FRIDAY EVENINGS during the season, commencing at 8 o'clock P. M. Haynes Quadrille Band will be in attendance. nc263m

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Beg to intimate that they have received by the Princess Royal, a very Choice Assortment of Goods for the Winter and Fall Trade, comprising in part:

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FIRST CLASS HOTEL.

Apartments will be let by the Day, Week or Month.

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10,000 ASSORTED FRUIT TREES in lots to suit the purchaser.

Victoria, V. I., October 30th, 1872. oc21 3m

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DENTIST.

MAY BE FOUND OVER H. F. HEISTERMAN'S Office, Langley Street, from 9:30 A. M. to 4 P. M.

N. B. Back Entrance on Government street. fe27tf

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W. LUSH, Proprietor
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There are 30 acres under cultivation; 20 acres can be easily cleared, and with plenty of good timber.

The farm is surrounded with a good fence, nine rails high.

There is also a good dwelling house, farm and outhouses.

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PRINCE ALFRED!
892 TONS.
CAPT. .... SHOLL

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For freight or passage apply to
R. BRODRICK & Co.,
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DRY GOODS.

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Government Street, August 5, 1872. au20 1y

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THE DWELLING HOUSE SITUATE on North Park Street, lately occupied by Mr. C. T. Millard. Terms moderate. Apply to

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Miscellaneous Advertisements.

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Near the corner of Broughton,

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Maps of all the different Districts on the Island may be seen at his office. Parties desirous of purchasing homesteads, or making investments, will find on his Bulletin Board Town Lots on nearly every street; Farming or Gardening Land in every District some of which affords rare chance for investment.

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Carriages Buggies
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Broad street, East side of Fort street.
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Photographic Materials
VIEWS OF BRITISH COLUMBIA AND VICTORIA,
Kept constantly on hand of sale. se19tf

Steamer Enterprise—Winter Arrangement.

DURING THE WINTER Months the Enterprise will leave the Hudson Bay Co.'s wharf on Wednesdays, at 7½ o'clock A. M., and will leave New Westminster on Thursdays at 7½ o'clock A. M. jan3

Notice.

THE BUSINESS OF THE HASTINGS Saw Mill Company and of Dickson, Campbell & Company will be conducted in future by J. A. Raymur or in his absence by Edmund Hurd at Messrs. Dickson, Campbell & Co's Wharf, Store street.

J. A. RAYMUR,
Agent.
November 26th, 1872. dec27

Notice.

IS HEREBY GIVEN that after this date Patients will only be admitted to the Victoria Hospital on the certificate of one of the medical attendants of the institution countersigned by two of the Visiting Committee.

E. CRIDGE,
Hon. Secretary.
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The Daily Standard.

Thursday, January 9, 1873.

The Annual Election of School Trustees.

Pursuant to the provisions of the School Act, 1872, the election of School Trustees was held yesterday, at the Council Chambers. Notices of the election have been, for the past eight or ten days, inserted in both the morning papers, and in addition thereto there was a notice posted on the bulletin board at the Council Chambers, another at the Post Office, and a third at Frank Campbell's corner. It will therefore be seen that there was no lack of publicity given to the occasion, the importance of which, even had it not been made as public as could have been desired, one would have supposed would have insured a large attendance on the part of the parents and guardians of the four hundred and odd children of school going age within the limits of the Victoria School District. But what are the facts? After waiting a full half hour beyond the time specified in the notices for the commencement of proceedings, there were just seventeen persons present, including the Superintendent of Education, the Mayor, six Councillors, and the Clerk and Messenger of the Council; or to put the matter in a balder light, for the edification of our readers both in and out of the city, there were only seven persons present who could be said not to be officially interested in the proceedings. To offer any comment upon the subject, would seem to be scarcely necessary, as the fact speaks for itself. It shows just how much interest the people of this city of Victoria, the metropolis of the Province, take in the all-important subject of the education of the rising generation. The population of Victoria is roughly estimated at about four thousand souls, including barbarians, Jews, and Christians, and of that large number, after the fullest measure of publicity had been given, only seventeen persons thought it worth their while to put in an appearance for the purpose of choosing fit and proper persons to discharge the duties of School Trustees in compliance with the requirements of the School Act, and more than one-half of those were present in an official capacity. What sort of a community have we got in Victoria? Prior to the passage of the present School Act, which guarantees a good common school education to every child in the city, free of charge to the parents, there was a great outcry for free schools, and so opposed were many of those advocates of universal education to paying anything toward the mental culture of their offspring that they preferred letting them run wild upon the streets to pick up a gutter education, than put their hands in their pockets once a month to pay a teacher to give them such instruction as would fit them for the active duties of life. Acting upon the principle that the State, and not the parent, should provide for the educational necessities of the youth of the city, they withdrew their patronage from the schools that then struggled for an existence, and the teachers were compelled to close them. The late Provincial Secretary, greatly to his credit, took the matter in hand and carried through the Legislature the present free school Act. A clause in that Act entailed upon the Municipal Council the duty of putting its machinery in operation and carrying it through to the end of the year 1872. They accepted the trust, and at an expense of much time and labor they fitted up school-houses, employed teachers, and having put the schools in good working order the period of their term of office expired by efflux of time. Yesterday the citizens were notified to appear at the time and place above indicated to elect their successors, and how well they responded to the call we have already stated. Now, it does seem too bad that after the Government has gone to the expense of fitting up school houses, employing teachers, providing books, and opening the doors of the schools to the children free of expense to their parents, that in the trifling matter of choosing fit and proper persons to see that the provisions of the law are enforced and the wants of the teachers and children looked after and attended to, so apathetic and indifferent are the people of this city touching the educational interests of their own and neighbors' children, that after the utmost publicity that could be given through the press and otherwise, only a trifle over a baker's dozen presented themselves at the Council Chambers yesterday to show that they took the slightest interest whatever in school matters. In view of such conduct on the part of our citizens, who could blame the Government if they were to draw a circle around Victoria and shut it out altogether from the privileges of the School Act? Messrs Chas. Gowen, J. D. Robinson, and Wm. Wilson have been elected as the new Board of School Trustees, and thanks to the seventeen gentlemen who composed the first annual school meeting for the city of Victoria under the new Act, we are free to confess a better selection could not have been made.

NOTICE.—I take pleasure to inform Mr. E. Watson's former customers, and particularly the Officers of the Fleet, that I have done all his Watch and Chronometer work for the past four years. As he has left the country, I beg to solicit the direct patronage of his former customers. All watch and fine clock work done for him by me, under one year, will be guaranteed by me. Attention paid also to Letter and Seal Engraving, at moderate prices. G. W. A. LANGE, Yates street. *

☞ Memory presides over the past. Fell's Coffee over the present. The first lives in a rich temple hung with glorious trophies, and lined with tombs, but Fell's Coffee has but one shrine and that is every breakfast table. Its aroma walks the earth like a spirit and can be found for sale at every respectable dealers in British Columbia. Beware of spurious imitations. 1y *

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S PRESENTS.—A fine assortment of Watches and Jewellery for sale at C Redfern's, Government street. Also, a small lot of fine French Bronze Figures, and Porcelain-ware, being the first articles of the kind imported into this Province. *

New Advertisements.

Supreme Court of British Columbia

IN BANKRUPTCY.

In the Estate of David Cameron, a Bankrupt.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a meeting of the Creditors of the above named Bankrupt will be held before the Registrar of the Supreme Court at his office on Monday the 20th instant, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of declaring a dividend payable on the amounts proved.

RICHARD WOODS,
Official Assignee.

Registrar's Office, 8 January, 1873. ja9

AUCTION

FURNITURE SALE.

J. P. DAVIES & CO.

Will Sell at the Residence of Mrs. F. JOHNS,

Johnson st, above Blanchard

Saturday, Jan. 11, 1873

AT 11 O'CLOCK, A. M.

Parlor Furniture.

Looking Glasses, Cornices & Curtains,
Marble Top Furniture,
Ornaments, Carpets, Sofas, Oil Cloth,
Mahogany Bedroom Furniture,
Spring and Pulu Mattresses, Pillows,
Blankets, Sheets, Counterpanes,
Toilet Sets, Glassware, C. O. Lamps,
Toilet Covers, Druggets, Rugs,
Ornaments, Pictures, Lot Stores,
Diamond Rock Stove, Meat Safe.

Lot Kitchen Furniture.

Cutlery & Silver Ware,
Lot Wood, Barrels, Etc.

Goods must be removed immediately after sale.

ja9 J. P. DAVIES & CO., Auctioneers.

Victoria Gas Co., Limited.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

The Shareholders in the Victoria Gas Co. Limited, are requested to take notice that the Annual General Meeting of the Company will be held at the office at the Works on Monday, 13th January, 1873, at 12 o'clock.

By order of the Board of Directors.
C. W. R. THOMSON,
de28td Secretary.

A COMPLIMENTRY BALL

TO

PROF. C. SCHAFFER

Will be held on WEDNESDAY, JAN. 15, at the

OLD SING VEREIN HALL,

Government street.

Tickets admitting a Gentleman and Ladies. $1 each.
ja4

Wanted

A DWELLING HOUSE OF ABOUT five rooms, centrally located.
Apply at the Office of
ja8 3t BARNARD'S EXPRESS.

Strayed

STRAYED ON MY PREMISES two months since a black cow with white on the face, branded P.J. on the hip. If not claimed within 7 days from date will be sold to pay expenses.

G. DEANS,
Oakvale Farm.

VICTORIA DISTRICT, January 7th, 1873. ja8

French Benevolent Society.

A PREPARATORY MEETING OF THE above Society will be held at Driard House, View Street, (formerly St. George) on Sunday the 19th day of January, at 2 o'clock P. M.

The object of of the Meeting is to hear the report of the Treasurer and Secretary, and also to introduce any amendments which may be brought forward in the interest of the Society.

The General Meeting for the Election of the Committee will be held on Sunday the 26th day of January, at the same place from 2 to 4 o'clock P. M.

M. CAMSUSA,
ja8 td Secretary.

GRAND ANNIVERSARY BALL

THE ANNUAL BALL

OF THE

ST. ANDREW'S & CALEDONIAN SOCIETY will be held in the

ROYAL EXCHANGE HALL,

On Government street, on the Evening of FRIDAY the 24th instant.

Dancing to commence at 9 P. M.

Tickets, admitting Gentleman and Ladies, including Refreshments, Price $3, to be had only from Messrs.

MANN, RUSSELL, RITHET,
MUIRHEAD, RUTHERFORD LORIMER,
and FRANK CAMPBELL.

By Order
WM. LORIMER, Secretary. ja8

Licenses Ordinance 1867.

All persons liable for Trading and Spirit Licenses under the above Ordinance are hereby notified to pay the same without delay at the office of the undersigned.

Summonses will be immediately issued against those persons who neglect to pay up their Licenses.

H. B. GOOD,
Clerk of the Bench.

VICTORIA, 7th January, 1873. ja8

Lost.

ON CHRISTMAS EVE, between Johnson and Fort streets, a Fur Tippet and Brooch.

The finder will be suitably rewarded by leaving them at this Office. ja7

New Advertisements.

VICTORIA HOUSE.

NOTICE.

THE UNDERSIGN HAVING DISPOSED of the business on Government street known as VICTORIA HOUSE to Messrs. DENNY & SPENCER request all persons indebted to that establishment to pay their accounts either at our Counting House on Wharf street, or to Messrs. Denny & Spencer, who have been authorized to receive the same.

FINDLAY, DURHAM & BRODIE.

VICTORIA, B. C., 4th January, 1873. ja6

VICTORIA HOUSE.

JANUARY 4th, 1873.

DENNY & SPENCER

Beg to announce that they have purchased from Messrs. Findlay, Durham & Brodie the Entire

STOCK & BUSINESS

of the establishment known as Victoria House, and are determined to offer for sale the

BALANCE OF WINTER & SURPLUS STOCK

At Prices that will ensure a Clearance.

THE SALE WILL BE FOR 30 DAYS

And For Cash Only

COMMENCING MONDAY JAN. 6th, 1873.

The Proprietors also take this opportunity of informing the Public of the principle upon which they intend to do business.

They have long thought it unfair to the Cash buyer to be charged the same Price as those who take long Credit. To obviate this they will do a CASH BUSINESS and will

CONSIDER ACCOUNTS PAID AT SIXTY DAYS BY THEIR FAMILY CUSTOMERS AS CASH.

These Terms will be strictly adhered to. They will not dilate upon the advantages here offered to CASH BUYERS; but most respectfully solicit the patronage of the general public, who will in a very short time *Appreciate the System they intend to inaugurate.*

ja6 1m

CHRISTMAS STORE

Opposite the Hook and Ladder Engine House

GOVERNMENT STREET,

HANDSOME STOCK OF FANCY GOODS.

The Public are respectfully invited to inspect the present stock ere they purchase elsewhere.

Mrs. Johnston, late of English Bazaar, has been engaged to dispose of the above for the owners who wish to clear out late shipments.

The store will be open on Monday next, 16th Dec., 1872.
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CHRISTMAS GIFTS CHEAPER THAN EVER

AT THE

LONDON BAZAAR,

GOVERNMENT Street corner FORT

IMMENSE VARIETY!

Unequalled on the Pacific Coast.

Amongst which will be found many Choice and Rare Articles

Just Received ex Naworth & Princess Royal.

W. JONES respectfully invites the public to call and inspect his Stock and note Prices which are greatly reduced owing to his having to visit Europe early in the New Year on important business, he has determined to reduce his immense stock which consists of

TOYS, all kinds FANCY GOODS including

ELECTRO PLATED-WARE, GLASSWARE, WILLOW-WARE, CUTLERY, STATIONERY, PERFUMERY (1st quality) JEWELRY BOOKS, PICTURES, PAINTINGS, &c., and NOTIONS without end. A Large Assortment of

Whitby Jet and Vulcanite Brooches, Earrings, Chains Necklets, Lockets and Bracelets.

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Estate of Fell & Finlayson,

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Trustees under a deed dated the 23d day of September, 1872, made between James Fell and John Finlayson of Fort street, Victoria, trading under the name of Fell & Finlayson, of the first part, and Matthew Trotter Johnston, George James Findlay and Jules Rueff of the second part, intend, on the 15th day of January next, to make a dividend of the estate and effects of the said Fell & Finlayson; and that all creditors who have not already proved their debts are to send, in particulars of their claims, properly verified, to Mr. C. G. WYLLY, Accountant, Government street, Victoria, on or before the last mentioned date, or they will be excluded from the benefit of the said dividend.

VICTORIA, 3d January, 1873.

GEORGE J. FINDLAY,
MATTHEW T. JOHNSTON, } Assignees.
pro JULES RUEFF, T. Earle,
ja6

Cemetery Board—Notice.

WRITTEN APPLICATION FOR THE position of Keeper of the Ross Bay Cemetery, addressed to the Secretary will be received up to the 8th January, 1873.

Testimonials or the names of referees should accompany applications.

For further particulars apply to
J. ROLAND HETT,
ja1 Secretary, Bastion street.

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year,

But if you want LUCK all the year round,

BUY YOUR CHRISTMAS

BEEF, TURKEYS & GEESE

OF THAT

LUCKY WINGER,

At that LUCKY Butcher's Shop, UNION MARKET, Corner of FORT & DOUGLAS STREETS.

JOHN WINGER. de21

S. L. KELLY

TIN & STOVE DEALER, Opposite Wells, Fargo & Co., Yates street. de31 1y

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New Advertisements.

MUSIC.

PROF. C. SCHAFFER WILL GIVE Lessons at the residence of pupils, at Schools, or at his rooms, on the

Violin, Flute, Clarionet, Guitar, Bass Viol

and every description of BRASS INSTRUMENT.

☞ Balls, Parties and Dinners supplied with Music at reasonable rates.

Orders left at his residence, corner of View and Broad streets, will receive prompt attention. ja3

ANTOINE REFORE,

FRENCH COOK.

DINNERS PREPARED ON THE Shortest notice. Families attended at their private residence.

Address, Care of
Mr. Boullet, corner of Broad and Yates streets. de31 1m

$100,000

For Water,

BOSH!

TAKE BUNSTER.

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NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

I WISH TO INFORM MY FRIENDS AND the public that I have removed my business to the Corner of

GOVERNMENT AND YATES STREETS,

where I intend keeping a well assorted stock of Canadian, American and English Clothing, Underclothing, &c. I take this opportunity of thanking them for the liberal patronage that I have received during the past two years, and hope by adhering strictly to the principle of

"SMALL PROFITS AND QUICK RETURNS,

and One Price and no abatement to merit a continuance of the same.

W. J. JEFFREE,
CLOTHIER & OUTFITTER.

☞ All Goods Marked in Plain Figures. ☜ de31 1m

BLUE POST SALOON

JAMES MADY

LATE OF THE MARKET EXCHANGE Fort Street, begs to announce that he will open the above saloon on

SATURDAY EVENING NEXT

with a choice Stock of

WINES, LIQUORS & CIGARS

on which occasion he will be happy to meet all his old friends. ja3 1m

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New England Bakery and Restaurant,

GOVERNMENT STREET,

AT THE ABOVE PLACE WILL BE found a choice variety of

XMAS CAKES,
MINCE PIES,
AND PASTRY,

Of all descriptions at Lowest Prices. de21 1m

BOOTS & SHOES.

XMAS GOODS.

G. H. MAYNARD

FORT STREET, 5 doors above Government,

HAS ON HAND A LARGE Assortment of Ladies', Gentlemen's, Misses', and Children's Boots & Shoes,

Particularly adapted for Christmas wear and Evening Parties, and offers them for sale at the lowest possible prices. Boots and Shoes made to order in all styles.

First class workmanship and the best quality of leather guaranteed.

Repairs neatly and quickly done. de17 3m

JAMES MOORE & CO.

JOHNSON STREET, 2 doors below Henry Saunders' Grocery Store.

CHEMISTS AND DRUGGISTS.

Physicians' Prescriptions Carefully Prepared.

Patent Medicines, Perfumery and a general assortment of Drugs and Chemicals always on hand. de14

$50 Reward.

LOST.

ON WEDNESDAY THE 18th, inst. on Government street, between Fort and Johnson Streets, $200 in Greenbacks, &c. FIFTY DOLLARS Reward is hereby offered for the recovery of the same.

Apply to
de20 W. T. Standard Office.

THEATRE SALOON

GOVERNMENT STREET.

T. A. WILLIAMSON

PROPRIETOR.

Immense Stock of WINES AND LIQUORS For the XMAS HOLIDAYS.

Finest brands of Cigars to be had at the bar. de23

Notice to Merchants & Others.

U. S. CONSULATE AT
Victoria, B. C.

CONSIGNEES of Merchandize imported from the United States in Bond are hereby notified that their Certificates to the landing of such merchandize must be presented at the Consulate with all the blanks properly filled up, dated, and signed; in default of which the Consular verification will be withheld.

DAVID ECKSTEIN,
de28 U. S. Consul.

Notice

IS HEREBY GIVEN that Simon Moffatt Dorman of the City of Victoria, is the sole owner of the steamboat which plied on Kamloops Lake during the past season and is now upon or near the same Lake and that John R. Adams is in possession of the same steamboat as agent for Simon Moffat Dorman.

J. ROLAND HETT,
de27 Solicitor, Bastion Street.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

ESTABLISHED 1809.

CAPITAL, ...£2,000,000 Sterling

Accumulated Fund, £3,286,169 Sterling.

Amount Deposited with Dominion Government, $150 000.

Losses Settled with Promptitude and Liberality.

T. ALLSOP, & CO., Agents.

Government Street, Victoria. je27 1y

New Advertisements.

Notice.

I HEREBY NOTIFY THOSE WHOM IT may concern that I do not hold myself responsible for any debts contracted by any of my crew.

C. S. FRIIS,
de30 Captain of the Bark Almatia.

Fancy Biscuits.

WELCH, RITHET & CO.,

HAVE RECEIVED EX "PRINCE Alfred," from San Francisco, a Stock of Very Superior

FANCY BISCUITS, in ½ barrels, boxes, and tins, comprising the following assortment:

NIC-NAC,
EXCELSIOR,
MEDALLION,
PEARL,
FANCY MILK,
LE GRANDE,
CONGRESS CAKES, &c.,

which they offer for Sale in lots to suit purchasers.

5 Commercial Row, Wharf Street.
Victoria, 28th December, 1872. de30

GEORGE'S MARKET.

JOHNSON STREET,

(Next to Blum's Dry Good Store)

DEALER IN

VENISON & GAME

of all Kinds when in Season. oc1 3m

MRS. EIXNER

DRESS MAKER.

SOLICITS a share of Public patronage.

TERMS MODERATE.

RESIDENCE—Corner of Meares and Quadra streets, near the cemetery. dec12tf

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VICTORIA

BOOT & SHOE MANUFACTORY,

GOVERNMENT STREET,

Next to the Post Office.

W. HEATHORN,

NOT being an Exhibitor at the late Fair, (from press of business), but feeling perfectly safe in the hands of a discriminating public, who have unanimously adjudged his manufactures First Prize, returns thanks for the liberal encouragement he has received, and would inform his customers that he is constantly improving in the Style and Quality of his manufactures, having just received from England one of PEARSON'S CELEBRATED LOCK STITCH WAX THREAD SEWING MACHINES, being the only one in the Province. He is now prepared to produce a most superior article.

☞ Boots and Shoes made to measure. Leather and Findings for Sale. oc12 3m

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REMOVED.

C. E. REDFERN

WATCHMAKER & JEWELLER

HAVING PURCHASED THE ENTIRE Stock and Business of Mr. E. Watson will remove on Dec. 4th, to large and more convenient premises, opposite the theatre on Government Street, lately occupied by Mr. D. Spencer, where in addition to his usual stock, he will offer for sale a fine assortment of Goods suitable for

XMAS & NEW YEAR'S PRESENTS

To arrive by next Steamer.

C. R. takes this opportunity of thanking his numerous customers for the kind support he has received during the past nine years, and solicits from them and from those who were formerly customers of Mr. E. Watson a continuance of the same, assuring them that it will be his constant endeavour to give satisfaction in every branch of the business.

Particular attention paid to the repairing of

CHRONOMETERS AND FINE WATCHES.

Fairburn's 'Crests of the Families of Great Britain and Ireland' for the use of those who may desire to have seals or crests engraved. no30

FOR THE HOLIDAYS.

F. GRELLEY

OFFERS TO HIS NUMEROUS CUSTOMERS ex recent arrivals, the largest and best assorted Stock of

WINES & LIQUORS.

CHAMPAGNES:

Napoleon Cabinet,
Louche,
Special Cuvee,
Eugene Cliquot,
Tacktas,
Grape Leaves,
Sparkling Moselle,

WINES:

Sherry and Ports, Preller, Marau, Sauterne, Petites, Graves, Chambertin, St. George's, Nuits, Medoc, St. Laubey, Bourgogne Mousseaux, Hock Wine.

LIQUEURS:

Curacoa,
Mareschino,
Kirsch,
Absynthe,
Vermouth,
Cocktails,
Cordials,
Ginger Wine,
Kummel,

BITTERS:

Hostetter's Bitters,
Boker's Bitters,
Angustura Bitters,
Turner's Stoughton Bitters,
Hollan Beonscamp Bitters.

Brandies in cases and bulk; Old Tom; Dunville Whisky; Lochnagar Whisky; Sherry and Port Wine in bulk; Cider in casks; Bourbon Whisky; Rum, Gin in cases; Peppermint; Jamaica Ginger, etc. de6

The Adelphi Saloon To Let

OWING TO THE FAILING HEALTH of the present proprietor of the Adelphi Saloon, situated on the corner of Yates and Government streets, Victoria, B. C., he is willing to rent the above named well known premises for a period of one or two years.

For further particulars,
Apply to
P. MURPHY,
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GREAT REDUCTION

—IN—

Horse, Carriage and Buggy Hire.

Horse and Buggy $1 per hour, Holidays and Sundays Excepted.

FOR SALE

150 Cords of Dry Pine

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J. W. WILLIAMS,
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The Daily Standard

Thursday, January 9, 1873.

Shipping Intelligence.

PORT OF VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA.

ENTERED.

Jan. 8—Stmr Maude, Holmes, Nanaimo.

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MARRIED.

In this city, on the 7th inst., at the Manse, by the Rev. S. McGregor, George Janes Esq., formerly of Bridgewater, Somersetshire, England, to Miss Anna Maria, daughter of E. Powers Esq., of St. Johns, New Brunswick.

Auction Sales To Day.

J. P. DAVIES......Wharf Street. .....Will Sell......at the Old Queen's Market, at 11 A. M. Butchers Tools, Scale, Fixtures, &c.

FIRST PARLIAMENT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Second Session.

WEDNESDAY, Jan 8th, 1873.

The House met at 2 p. m. Members a'l present, but Messrs. Holbrook, Robertson, Saul, and the member for Comox.

Mr. McCreight rose to a question of privilege in reference to the discussion which took place in the House yesterday with respect to a conversation been the Lieut.-Governor, and the honorable the junior member for Victoria District, namely, Mr. Bunster, which occurred at Nanaimo at the time of Sir Francis Hincks' election. He said that he should have addressed the House yesterday, but that he had not felt himself at liberty to do so without the consent of the Lieut.-Governor, as the conversation referred to was private, and he was pressed by this consideration, notwithstanding that the honorable member had published his version of it. But that he had since then obtained the consent of the Lieut.-Governor, and would be glad to state what he knew of the matter. He said that a conversation took place at Capt. Spaulding's house between the Lieut.-Governor and the honorable member, which he, Mr. McCreight, did not hear, but, upon his being called in from an adjoining room, the following conversation took place between the honorable member and himself in the presence of the Lieut.-Governor. The honorable member asked him (Mr. McCreight) whether the Government would take steps during the next session with a view to induce the Legislative Assembly to request the Dominion Government to modify the Canadian Tariff, so as to render it more adapted to the farming interest in the Province. The answer by Mr. McCreight was, that his views as to the Canadian tariff were distinct—that he was pledged to it, and that as to asking for a duty on flour, or any change of that kind, that was out of the question; but as regards other matters, if the interest of the farmers could be furthered, without interfering with other interests in the Province, he was sure no Government could be more axious to attain that object than that which then existed. Mr. McCreight further told the House that this must be the remark which the hon. member had mistaken for an undertaking on the part of the Lieutenant Governor. Mr. McCreight then said that he had enjoyed the honor for a considerable period of the friendship of the Lieutenant Governor, who had always spoken to him without reserve on all public matters; and that he felt confident the Lieut. Governor could never have given an undertaking that he would influence the Ministry on this question. He had never attempted so to deal with the Ministry—and had never pressed his views as to a modification of the tariff, tho' he (Mr. McCreight) was well aware that the Lieut. Governor always considered some modification might well be made in the interests of the Province and the Dominion. The subject had not since the conversation been discussed. He further added that he felt sure His Excellency could not possibly have anything to conceal in respect of his conversation with the hon. member. Mr. McCreight stated in conclusion that the report published in the *Colonist* on Tuesday—that he Mr. McCreight) stated that he had no recollection of the conversation—was incorrect; that what was stated in the STANDARD was more accurate, though incomplete; and that he (Mr. McCreight) had a distinct recollection of the conversation.

PUBLIC SCHOOL REPORT.

The first annual report on the Public Schools in the Province of British Columbia for 1872, with appendices and supplementary report by the Superintendent of Education, was laid upon the table. [Referred to elsewhere.]

PRIVILEGE.

Mr. Smith rose to a question of privilege to correct a report in the STANDARD with regard to the Cache Creek branch telegraph resolution of yesterday. He was reported to have withdrawn his resolution, whereas it passed unanimously. He then remarked that the position of the reporter's table was anything but suited to obtain correct reports of the proceedings. He hoped to see some change.

Mr. Humphreys rose to a question of privilege in reference to the matter, that the House had no power to deal with the telegraph system of the Province. He stated that by the B. A. Act the local Government had the power, and he quoted authority for his assertion.

Mr. Smithe contended it was a Federal matter.

Mr. Barnston rose to a point of order, and stated Mr. Humphreys was talking on a question foreign to the subject. The question was the reporter's gallery, and there was nothing before the House.

Mr. Huphreys regretted the hon. gentleman was so hazy that he could not see. He rose to a question of privilege.

Two other gentlemen got up and the Speaker said there was nothing before the House.

Mr. Smithe—I rise to a question of privilege.

The Speaker—There is too much privilege in this House. [Hear and laughter.]

Mr. Smithe then quoted authority to show the hon. member for Lillooet had made a mistake, and he (Mr. Smithe) had tried to put him right.

RESERVED BILLS.

Mr. Robson in reference to certain Bills reserved for the assent of the Governor-General, said the returns sent down were not complete.

The Hon. Premier said the remainder of the correspondence would be printed and sent down to the House.

PRIVATE BILLS.

Mr. McCreight presented the Report of the Standing Orders Committee on the Bill for the Corporation Water Supply Bill for the City of Victoria. The report was favorable, and stated that the rules and orders had been complied with.

Mr. Bunster asked further time to report on the petition of E. Sutro, and others. He moved to refer the petition to the Standing Orders Committee. Carried.

REPORTERS' GALLERY.

Mr. Barnston gave notice that on Friday be would ask the hon. the Premier, if better arrangements cannot be made for the reporters of the daily newspapers.

The Speaker—Arrangements will be made before that time.

Mr. Barnston—I was not here yesterday, and was not aware.

LILLOOET PETITION.

Mr. Humphreys called attention to the petition of the inhabitants of Lillooet, and moved that it be read.

The petition was referred to the Committee of Supply.

Hon. Mr. DeCosmos would be most happy to consider it.

SKEENA TRAIL.

In reply to Mr. Robson, the hon. Chief Commissioner stated as follows:

The late Government communicated with the officer at Omineca in June last, enclosing a copy of the Select Committee's report upon the Skeena road and trails, and received from him a reply in October last, stating that the Frying Pan Pass trail had been opened by him for foot travel, and that after a careful examination of Woodcock's trail, between Hazelton and Babine lake, that he considered a sum of $1500 would be ample to pay for all work done upon that trail. No compromise had been made with the contractor.

THE DOUGLAS MAIL BOAT.

Mr. Smith moved, seconded by Mr. Barnston—That whereas the Dominion steamer Sir James Douglas is running in competition with private enterprise, as common carrier between Victoria and other ports; Therefore be it resolved: That an humble Address be presented to his Honor the Lieutenant Governor, that he will—with due respect to our representatives in the Dominion Parliament—request that the Government of the Dominion will be pleased to have the above steamer placed on the revenue service; also to act as transport for all light ships and light houses on the coast of British Columbia.

Some difficulty was experienced in obtaining a seconder; the mover remarked that honorable gentlemen appeared to be afraid of steamboats—boilers bursting.

The Premier differed with the mover and seconder as to the propriety of the motion passing through this House. Yesterday a resolution introduced by the member for Cowichan was passed, which covered the first portion of the motion above; more than that, provision was made for low freights and fares. He did not think this House should dictate to the Dominion Government what steamer should be used. It was pushing the matter a little too far. The Dominion Government has here a Marine agent and other agents. He would ask, therefore, that the resolution be withdrawn.

Mr. Humphreys said the resolution was in direct conflict with the resolution of yesterday, and by passing this, the House would only be stultifying itself.

Mr. Smith again got up.

Mr. Robson—Are you replying?

Mr. Smith said he got up to stop discussion (laughter). He argued that the resolutions of to-day and yesterday were quite distinct. If the resolution did not suit the House, he remarked he would be most happy to withdraw it, if the seconder had no objection. (Hear, hear)

The seconder—Mr. Barnston—could not see a conflict between the two resolutions.

The Speaker said the hon. gentleman was out of order.

Mr. Barnston—Can I speak to a question of privilege?

Mr. Speaker—Certainly; what is the question?

Mr. Barnston then said he would surrender if the House could make the east coast of Vancouver Island the whole of British Columbia.

The motion was withdrawn.

GAME LAW.

Mr. Smithe was granted leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Game Law; read a first time—second reading on Friday next.

Seconded by Mr. Booth.

THE EAST COAST MAILS AGAIN.

Mr. Smithe asked the hon. Provincial Secretary the following: Has the Government of this Province communicated with the Federal Government, with reference to the delivery of mails in districts situated at a distance from the salt water, on the east coast of this Island; and, if so, what action has been taken, or is intended to be taken, in this matter?

In the absence of the Provincial Secretary, the Chief Commissioner replied that the late Government had forwarded to the Dominion Government the address of the House of March last in respect of this matter. The Dominion Government acknowledged receipt of the address but made no further reply.

WILD LANDS.

Mr. Smithe moved the House go into Committee of the Whole on Friday next, on a bill to impose a tax on wild lands within the Province.

The Speaker said the matter must emanate from the Crown, and it was out of order.

The introducer could not see how that it was out of order.

The Speaker quoted authority.

Mr. Smithe replied.

The Premier quoted precedent from "Tod" to show that the matter of introducing and imposing a tax must emanate from the Crown.

Mr. Smithe still contended he was in order, quoting authority and precedent in support of his views.

The Premier said the hon. gentleman would at the proper time have every opportunity to introduce measures into a bill to come down from the Government.

Mr. Smithe again spoke, and was convinced the House had the power.

The Speaker decided the question out of order.

Mr. Barnston—Mr. Speaker, I ask that your decision be enforced, both on behalf of myself and on behalf of other suffering members of this House. [Much laughter.]

NOTICES OF MOTION.

The hon. Attorney General gave notice that on Friday next he would ask leave to introduce the following bills:

A Bill to extend the Road Ordinance.

A Bill to further regulate the election of members to the House of Assembly.

A Bill to amend the Courts Merger Ordinance, 1870.

A Bill respecting asylums for the insane.

"PRIVILEGE."

Mr. Bunster, who had been absent from the House in the earlier part of the proceedings, rose to a question of privilege. He had been told the hon. member for Victoria city (Mr. McCreight) had made a statement with regard to the matter of the modification of the tariff question, and he would ask that the same be repeated.

The Speaker—If the House wishes it; but you had better let the matter drop.

Mr. Bunster said it had been his intention to do so, but his reputation was called in question now.

The House adjourned until Friday next, at the usual hour.

County Court.

[Before A. F. Pemberton, Esq., S. M.]

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 8th, 1873.

Meldrum vs. Switzer & Co.—The plaintiff in this case claimed the amount of $61 35, the balance of an account alleged to be due for building a scow for the defendant. Judgment in favor of plaintiff for $9 44.

County Court adjourned until 11 a m. this day.

A TRIPLE BIRTH.—Early yesterday morning the population of British Columbia was increased under the somewhat unusual and extraordinary occurrence of a triple birth—two girls and a boy. The family whose "olive branches" are thus numerically added to, is that of one of our most respected citizens—Mr. Charles Hayward. Had the *affaire de la famille* taken place in England, the customary bounty extended by our gracious Queen would no doubt have been donated in the usual manner; but here we would rather see health and strength vouchsafed to the young ones, that they may grow up and become living confirmation of so rare an occurrence.

Report of the Superintendent of Public Schools.

The following are some of the chief items of interest outside of those laid before the public and contained in proceedings of the Board of Education, &c, reported from time to time The report was laid before the Legislature yesterday:

On the 18th June, '72, an order to the amount of $880 was sent to Toronto, for text books, which have come to hand; a discount of 27½ per cent. has been allowed. Text books are not in all cases supplied without payment; a reasonable price,—the Ontario retail prices are charged for school books.

Public Schools were established by the H. B. Co. in the year 1855, in Victoria, Craigflower, and Nanaimo; expenses were met from the Colonial funds. In 1865, $10,000 was voted for educational purposes by the V. I. House of Assembly; some 400 pupils were in attendance; the late Mr. Waddington was Superintendent. After the union with the Mainland the School Ordinance, 1869, and Amendment Ordinance, 1870, were passed, which put educational matters throughout the colony on a better footing, with the exception of Victoria, where the school tax was voted down, and the public school was abandoned in 1870. Several new school districts were then established chiefly throughout the Mainland; from 350 to 400 children attended, outside of Victoria city. Under the new or present system, the following districts were established: Victoria, Esquimalt, Craigflower, Metchosin, Sooke, Lake, Cedar Hill, South Saanich, North and South Cowichan respecpectively, Salt Spring Island, Nanaimo, Comox, New Westminster, Moodyville, Granville, Langley, Sumass, Chilliwhack, Hope, Yale, Lytton, Clinton, Barkerville. Teachers' salaries range from $40 to $100 per month. The returns of the number of children in attendance were not had in most cases, in time for the publication of the report.

Two central schools are recommended, one to be erected at Soda Creek, the other at Kamloops,—providing educational means for half the interior; there are 402 children of all ages from Yale to Quesnelle, including branch districts; 287 are of school age, whites and half castes, and these two schools would be sufficient for about one-half. Another scheme is the erection of a central boarding school or two, male and female, near to Cache Creek. The entire establishments would cost about $10,000; with furnishing, $12,000. The educational department is estimated at $4,200 per annum; to erect and carry on schools in each district in the interior where the population is very sparse would cost about $10,000 per annum It is presumed that parents would pay for board about $12 per month, each child. Provision is recommended for indigent children, as half breeds deserted by their white fathers. The settlers of these inland districts would appear to favor this boarding school system, to judge by resolutions passed at public meetings held during the recent tour of the Superintendent. School reserves are recommended; and a Provincial University should not be lost sight of, says the report.

In September, 1872, it was estimated there were 1768 school children in the Province; school population returned, 534; attending school, 399; returns not sent in, about 115; leaving 1244 not attending the public schools. Approximately, there are 350 who go to the different private or other schools, so that there are fully 900 children not attending any school. Of these 200 are in the upper country, not within the reach of any school; 100 more may be set down for the Island, and 100 for the lower Fraser, not provided with schools; leaving 600 children, although provided with schools, who derive no benefit therefrom. Number of boys attending, (returns incomplete) 250; girls, 162.

Of the 16 teachers in July last, 12 are English, 2 Canadian, and 2 American; 8 hold certificates from the Board of Education, and 8 were teaching under temporary arrangements; the highest salary paid was $100 per month; lowest $40. Twelve of the school houses are public property, nine have been occupied on sufferance, or at a nominal rent, and one at Sumass, at $5 per month. Only 14 visits are recorded; there are but three schools which have visitors' books.

Out of the school fund, $40,000, $8,346 had been expended up to July 31st, viz.: Victoria, $1303; $250, Esquimalt; $285, Metchosin; $320, North Cowichan; $100, Salt Spring Island. A further sum of $3,299 was expended in teacher's salaries for '71 '72, up to 31st March last. The amount expended and granted, but not yet paid, for seven months of the school year to Nov. 1st, are as follows:

Salaries of Teachers and Superintendent.........	$ 7,823 00
School Houses, building and rp'g.	9,620 00
Books, Maps, etc	1,140 00
Rent, Fuel, etc..........................	563 00
Travelling expenses of Supd't........	498 00
Arrears of Salaries, '71 '72 to 31st March	3,229 00
Total...........	$22,874 73

Teachers' salaries in April amounted to $500, which in October had increased to $1,695

There are 12 private and denominational schools in Victoria, 3 in New Westminster, 1 in Hope, 1 at Lac La Hache. In Victoria the children attending these were over 400; about 100 attended those on the Mainland.

Names of teachers: Males—J. Planta, C. C. McKenzie, W. H. Burr, C. N. Young, L. LeLievre, J. Pleace, W. W. Gibbs, A. Peers, J. C. Jones, J. Mundell, G. Wilson, S. F Crawford, L. M. C'emitson, A. W. Rogers, G. Pottinger, W. Pollard.

Female—Mrs. E. Fisher, Mrs. L. Richards, Miss G. Sweeney. Mrs. G. Hayward, Miss M. J. Baxter, Miss Mahood, Miss M. Glyde, Mrs. E. Miles, Miss McWha, Mrs. Lethbridge.

An appendix gives details of teachers' examinations, and papers in arithmetic, geography, English grammar, history, vocal music, composition, school organization and government; the examinations are conducted by means of written questions. An appendix is given, with rules for the examination of public school teachers, and the issuance of certificates of qualification; also appendix with rules and regulations for the government of public schools in British Columbia, etc, etc. The report contains 51 pages, embracing tables, etc., and appears very ably prepared, and withal very comprehensive in its details. We may have to refer to it on a future occasion.

Rejoinder to the Address.

The Hon. Mr. DeCosmos acquainted the House on Tuesday that he had waited on His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, in company with other members of the Executive Council, with the Address in reply to the opening Speech, and that His Excellency had received the same very graciously, and had been pleased to make the following rejoinder:—

Mr Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:

I thank you for your dutiful and loyal Address, and for the assurance that the several important measures submitted to you will be carefully considered.

NAVAL.—The two midshipmen who were reported missing from H. M. ship Cameleon on Monday night last, were overtaken by Inspector Bowden on Tuesday, and handed over to the naval authorities.

SAILED.—The steamer Prince Alfred left San Francisco on Monday, the 6th inst., for this port, having on board 30 passengers, and about 100 tons of freight.

City Council.

The City Council met last night at 7:30 o'clock. Present—His Worship the Mayor in the chair; Councillors Gowen, Taylor, Robinson, Forman, and Dalby.

A letter from the Superintendent of the Asylum thanking the Mayor and Council for their Christmas present was read; also a communication representing the proceedings of the meeting lately held, having for its purport, the establishment of a public market in Victoria, and requesting an interview with the Council. On motion the latter was ordered to be laid on the table pro tem; the former being received and filed.

A document complaining of the want of a sidewalk on Johnson street near Quadra and Vancouver signed by the residents in that district was read. As to which it was resolved that orders be issued to the property owners on the south side of Johnson street to put down a three foot sidewalk in that vicinity. Also one from the Church Wardens of Christ Church with regard to the bad state of the road on Quadra street near the old cemetery, which was on motion referred to the Street Committee, together with one signed by the residents near Kane and Quadra, who volunteer to help to defray the expenses of grading, &c., the streets in question; also one requesting the erection of a fence on the sidewalk on Government street near Humboldt street. Orders for the thorough repair of the sidewalk and the erection of the necessary hand rail were resolved to be issued.

The following accounts were then referred to the Finance Committee for payment if found correct:

Michael Wells, $37 50; Stafford & Hicken, $15 60; Fred. Reynolds, $20 68; J. Black, $2 50; Thomas Craigie, $29; A. Beswick, $42; George Wilkinson, $14; H. C. Courtenay, $20; Muirhead & Bruce, $14 75; A. & W. Wilson, $32; James Wilcox, $5; Victoria Gaol, $5 65; J. Roland Hett, $7 50; E. Mallandaine, $13 50; Moody, Dietz & Nelson, $62 26.

The pound keeper's report was read, received and filed, and the salaries of the various officers of the City Council, for the month of December, were ordered to be paid.

A letter of thanks from the Warden of the Gaol, on behalf of the prisoners, for the kindness of the City Council, in remembering them at Xmas, was tendered.

From the illness of Mr. McDowell, the contract for laying the sidewalk which he had taken, was considered void, and the contract was ordered to be given to the next lowest bidder.

Councillor Robinson urged his notice of motion—given on the 14th of November last, for the presentation of a petition to the Lt.-Governor, for the application of the Municipality Act, 1872, to the City of Victoria.

His Worship the Mayor thought it had better be deferred until they were more thoroughly informed as to what the Legislature intended to do with reference to the Act.

Councillor Forman thought so to; but Messrs. Gowen, Dalby and Taylor were in favor of taking up the question at once.

As there was not a full meeting of the Board—Councillor Hayward being absent—His Worship ruled the motion out of order.

It was resolved that the public market committee be notified to attend on Wednesday evening next, to discuss their petition.

The Council then went into a committee of the whole on the Victoria Water Bill.

Police Court.

[Before A. F. Pemberton, Esq., S. M.]

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 8, 1873.

Charley, an Indian, on remand from Tuesday, for fighting in the public streets, was ordered to find security in the sum of $50, to be of good behavior for three months—in default 14 days' imprisonment.

Anthony Simmons, on remand for a like offence, was treated in a similar manner to the last prisoner.

Guslow *alias* Charley, given in charge to officer McEwan, charged with assaulting Johnny, a Fort Rupert Indian, by cutting him in the face with a knife, was discharged.

Johnny and Charley, two Fort Rupert Indians, given in charge to Superintendent Sullivan, by J. D. Warren, and J. Middleton, charged with unlawfully breaking into the office of Mr. Sayward, on Wharf street, and damaging a window valued $1, were fined $25 each, or in default to suffer three months imprisonment each, with hard labor.

Johnny *alias* Kit-qua, a Hydah Indian, was given in charge to constable McEwan, charged by Charley, a Fort Rupert Indian, with assaulting an Indian woman named Kitty, by cutting her with a knife in the back, was remanded for two days.

Joe *alias* Kit-ko-ya, a Skidegate Indian, arrested by constable Bloomfield, charged with breaking a window valued at $1 and upwards, was fined $10, or in default of payment, to suffer one month's imprisonment.

One Phillips, who was arrested by constable Bloomfield, by virtue of a warrant issued by the Stipendiary Magistrate, charged with violently assaulting one John Allen, was remanded for one day, in order that further investigation might be made.

ELECTION OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES.—The election of School Trustees for the ensuing year, took place yesterday at noon, at the City Council Chambers. Five gentlemen were nominated, viz: Messrs. W. Wilson, Robinson, Gowen, Carey and Jeffree. The show of hands was however in favor of the three former gentlemen, and as no poll was demanded on behalf of Messrs. Carey and Jeffree, they were declared duly elected. *There were scarcely sixteen people present*, including the Superintendent of Education!

SAN JUAN.—The Governor of Washington Territory has notified the British settlers on San Juan that unless they declared on January 6th their intention to become American's, they would lose their land claims. The settlers were greatly excited, and have appealed to the Imperial Government for protection. We hope they may get it; for the United States government, we believe, will never be a party to despoiling them of their honorably earned property.

FOR NEW WESTMINSTER.—The steamer Enterprise steamed away from the wharf of the Hudson Bay Co. yesterday morning, at her usual hour—7:30, a. m. sharp. She had on board a mail and express matter for the upper country, a small quantity of freight, and the following passengers: Mrs. Bullock, Mrs Ibbotson, Mrs. Farr, Mr. and Mrs. Cox, and Messrs. Spence, Lee, Ferris, and some few others.

ESQUIMALT SCHOOL.—The annual meeting for the election of the trustees of the Esquimalt School, was held yesterday, and was well attended. C. E. Pooley, Esq., was called to the chair, and the following gentlemen were elected trustees: The Rev. F. B. Gribbell, and Messrs. C. E. Pooley and F. Williams.

FUNERAL.—The remains of the late George Wist (late of the Port Madison Hotel) will be moved from Brown's Hotel at three p. m., today to the North Pacific steamer at Brodrick's wharf, to be conveyed to Port Madison for interment. Friends are requested to attend.

STOKES is convicted at last, and is sentenced to be hanged on the 28th prox. We doubt the hanging.

CARTOONS.—In preparation—the last jump for the Portfolio Stakes.

By Electric Telegraph.

SPECIAL TO THE DAILY STANDARD.

LAST NIGHT'S DESPATCHES.

WASHINGTON TERRITORY.

SWINOMISH, Jan. 8—Efforts to raise the steamer Libby by means of steam pumps having failed, the steamer Celilo was sent to Port Madison for tanks, she arrived this morning bringing two large tanks and it is hoped by their aid, they will be able to float her and tow her to Seattle for repairs. She now lies in a very easy position; the only danger being from drifting sands bedding her in.

EASTERN STATES.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4—Governor Booth telegraphs his belief that if the Modocs are allowed 30,000 acres of land on Lost river instead of being forced on proposed reservation a treaty is practicable which should satisfactorily protect them and the settlers. Senator Cole laid the subject before the department yesterday; there is no decision in consequence. The emigrant's acting secretary of the interior policy will be unchanged unless a new report on the subject is obtained from some officials in California, as the Modocs are ordered to new reservations only after a careful consideration upon recommendations of Indian agents.

The announcement of the Government purchasing a site for public buildings in Sacramento is preliminary. Houghton lot at the corner of 40th and L streets has been accepted subject to congressional appropriation of $30,000. Senator Cole declines any appropriation for the purchase of the lot when the city offers larger and better.

NEW YORK, Jan. 4—In Stokes' trial, after an exhaustive argument in which the characters of Fisk and witnesses for the prosecution were severely excoriated, Tremaine closed at one o'clock. There was great applause from the audience upon the conclusion of the address, which was suppressed by the Judge. After a recess, Beach commenced his reply for the prosecution, and spoke several hours; he reviewed at length the testimony of the principal witnesses, and called upon the jury to judge whether from the story of Stokes himself, the case was not one of murder. Stokes' early career and the circumstances of the murder were commented upon severely. On the question of premeditation, Beach submitted to the jury on a broad principle that at the moment Fisk was fatally shot, the prisoner intended to kill. When Beach had concluded, the Judge proceeded to deliver his charge, after complimenting the jury, counsel and press for abstaining from criticisms in the case. The killing being practically conceded, the question was whether that killing was crime? It was agreed on both sides that the killing was either murder in the first degree, or manslaughter in the third degree, or justifiable homicide. To determine the point at issue it was important to consider whether there were two pistols found, and whether the prisoner was acting in self-defence. If the jury believed the prisoner fired from premeditated design to kill, without fear of danger, they should find a verdict of murder in the first degree, unless they found manslaughter in the third degree. In conclusion, the Judge said it would be a great misfortune if the jury now disagreed.

The jury in Stoke's case, after a few hours absence, entered about 11 o'clock, and rendered a verdict of murder in the first degree. Judge Boardman deferred sentence until Monday. The intelligence that the verdict would not be given till some time to-night created much interest in many places throughout the city. It was hardly expected, however, that the verdict would be rendered so soon. During the latter days of the trial some apprehension was awakened amongst the friends of the prisoner at pertinacity and skill shown by the attorneys for the prosecution; still the feeling existed among many that conviction of murder in the first degree would not be found; that if there was no disagreement among the jury, the verdict would be either justifiable homicide or manslaughter.

NEW YORK, Jan. 6—Stokes was brought into court this morning to receive sentence. His counsel made an address in relation to a bill of exceptions to the Judges rulings which he proposed to offer; the prisoner was then asked what he had to say why sentence of death should not be passed. Stokes said he had not violated the law intentionally, and that the testimony upon which he was convicted was manufactured and perjured. The judge then in a very feeling address alluding to the youth and surroundings of the prisoner, sentenced him to be hanged on Friday, 28th of February next, this being the shortest time that could be legally allowed a convicted man. Stokes and his counsel were greatly surprised at the verdict, and expressed their purpose of applying at once for a stay of proceedings, and ultimately, if possible, to procure a new trial. The witnesses in Stokes case who were confined in the House of Detention for a year, are discharged.

A large number of Communists will shortly arrive from Paris. Their friends are preparing to give them a reception.

Police telegraphs were destroyed by the severe weather throughout the city, and wires and poles were falling in the streets and on sidewalks. The whole of New York city became isolated so far as railway communication with the outside world was concerned.

Tweed's case was adjourned over to day owing to the indisposition of the judge.

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In addition to their usual stock of house furnishing and other goods, Burns & Edwards would call special attention to their stock of Glassware, China, Earthenware and Plated ware, consisting in part of handsome cut and engraved Decanters, Champagnes, Clarets, Hocks, Ports and Sherries, Tumblers, Vases, Epergnes, Flower stands, Celery glasses, Tea and Dinner Services, Plated Tea Services, Spoons, Forks, Soup Ladles, etc., etc. Some of the above goods are superior to anything of their kind ever imported to this market, and are very suitable for Christmas or New Year's Gifts. *

CHRISTMAS!—It is scarcely necessary for us to enumerate the variety of articles upon exhibition at T. N. Hibben & Co.'s, Government street, in anticipation of the approaching holidays. There must be a concession in the minds of every resident here, for the past twelve years, that such an important occasion has never been slighted by us. We are justified in saying, that if one season has excelled another in a tempting array of Christmas-boxes, the present one will eclipse them all in variety, beauty, and attractiveness. *

HOLIDAY PRESENTS.—J. L. Jungerman directs public attention to his large and handsome stock of fine gold and silver watches for ladies and gentlemen, elegant sets of diamond and other jewelry, and many other articles in this line, suitable for Holiday Presents. Silverware, platedware, music boxes, spectacles, &c., &c., in great number and variety. *

THAT PORTFOLIO.—As there is considerable discussion going on at present about the creating of new portfolios, the undersigned is prepared to make them in any quantity. Also, Blank Books and every description of Binding and Ruling done. R. T. WILLIAMS, at Messrs. T. N. Hibben & Co's.

HOLIDAY GOODS.—The attention of intending purchasers is directed to the large stock of new goods just received by A. B. Gray, Government street. His stock is now replete with a choice and varied assortment of all descriptions of dry goods, together with a great variety of fancy small wares suitable for holiday gifts. *

PROVINCIAL DISPATCHES

[BY MAINLAND TELEGRAPH LINE.]

Latest from Omineca and Cariboo.

QUESNELLE, Jan. 6—Messrs. Poole and Welch arrived here January 2nd, 29 days from Manson Creek They found travelling very heavy, having to break their road all the way. There were about 75 men in the diggings when they left. Some companies were running tunnels on Manson and Germensen creeks; others were rocking and making small wages. Provisions were plentiful and at low rates. Gardiner was met on the 22nd ult., at Stewart's river ferry.

Mr. Cowell left here December 27 for Fort George, to take charge, vice Alexander appointed to Fort Francis.

Weather changeable. Horses crossed Quesnelle river on the ice to-day.

From the *Sentinel* of January 4th we glean the following mining items:

HARVEY CREEK.

The Foster co. are drifting for the channel with favorable indications. The Perseverance co. is paying small dividends. The Manitoba co. are raising over the falls. The Cummings co. have obtained a prospect of 7 oz. from one set of timbers.

LIGHTNING CREEK.

The Ross co. are getting small pay, but are still in a canyon. The Spruce co. are running a drain. The Van Winkle co. are still in the bed rock with their drain. The Victoria co. have started to pump on their double action, but have only sufficient water in their ditch to drive machinery at a slow speed. The Vancouver co. have dried their diggings and will start to work below next week. The Clark co. are running a prospect and drives. The Gladstone having repaired damages to pump, will most likely start in two weeks. The West of England co. have commenced their 12 inch pump, but will not recommence work till March. They have to puddle their shaft, and the winter season is unfavorable for such work.

The bridge across the north fork of the Quesnelle River, constructed by Mr. E. Gurney, which has been built partly by Government and partly by private enterprise, has just been completed. It supplies a long felt want of the district, and its construction reflects the highest credit upon the arcitect and the projectors of the enterprise.

Mr. Brown Superintendent of the Lane & Kurtz Co., arrived in town yesterday. He has succeeded in forwarding the company's freight. The boiler and part of connections arrived on Friday, and should the weather prove favorable the work of setting in and placing the pump in the shaft will be proceeded with at once.

Auction Sales

THIS DAY.
AUCTION SALE
J. P. DAVIES & CO,
Will Sell on the Premises, known as the
Old Queen's Market
Butcher Shop,
WHARF STREET, on
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AT 11 O'CLOCK A. M.
The complete Fixtures therein, together with a large Handsome
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Sundry Stable Fixings, Combs, Brushes, Etc., Etc.
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Sales attended in any part of the city or vicinity. Best city reference given.

REMOVAL.
J. WRIGLESWORTH HAS REMOVED his Saloon to the premises near to his old stand, and adjoining the Standard Printing Office. de31

Notice.
FROM AND AFTER THIS DATE MY son, Edward A. McQuade, has an interest in my business.
PETER McQUADE.
Victoria, V. I., Dec. 31, 1872. ja1

Strayed.
STRAYAD UPON MY PREMISES A RED Heifer with white Spots; marked on the left hip; white star on the forehead.
If not claimed within seven days she will be sold to pay damages.
T. G. WINTER,
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ABLE AND ORDINARY SEAmen for London, Callao Australia and China.
Apply to
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Public School Notice
THE CITY SCHOOLS WILL RE-OPEN on Monday (THIS DAY) at 9½ o'clock A. M.
W. LEIGH,
ja6 Clerk of the Board.

Lost.
ON SATURDAY AFTERNOON between the H. B. Co.'s wharf and Rae street in this city, a pocket book containing a photograph, &c. a note of hand for $400.
The finder will please leave same at this office. ja8

SCHOOL NOTICE.
Mme. PETIBEAU'S
BOARDING & DAY SCHOOL
Will re-open on Monday next, January 6th, 1873. ja1 1m

Miscellaneous Advertisements

The Standard
LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

GOVERNOR.
HIS GRACE THE DUKE OF BUCCLEUCH AND QUEENSBERRY, K. G.

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RENTS & DEBTS COLLECTED

Government Street, Victoria, 30th November, 1872,
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REMOVAL.
J. H. TIMMERMAN
CONVEYANCER & LAND AGENT,

Removed to

GOVERNMENT STREET, 2 doors south of Fort Street.

MONEY TO LOAN.

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NOTICE.

THE NORTH PACIFIC TRANSportation Company's steamship

California,

Fare in Cabin, including Meals and Room	$10 00
Fare in Steerage, including Meals and Berth	5 00

dec28 J. P. GOODHUE, Purser.

BRIDGE TAVERN.
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AN OLD SETTLER OF TWENTY-FIVE years standing, begs to inform his friends and the public that he will open on to-morrow Evening (Saturday) October 5th, at 7 o'clock, the above establishment with the Best

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All friends are invited to attend. oc4 3m

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THE MOST COMMODIOUS AND CLEAN Hotel in Victoria. It is conducted on the European principle. The Table is supplied with the very best the market affords. MEALS at all hours of the day. Private Dining-rooms for families.

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LANGLEY ALLEY.

THE BEST QUALITY OF

Wines and Liquors

and the Finest Brands of

CIGARS,

Will always be on hand at the Bar.
dec29 dawtf

Notice.

ALL PERSONS having claims against the estate of A. W. Piper will present them to the undersigned, and those indebted to said estate will pay the same to A. W. Piper, who is authorized to collect all outstanding debts.

J. REUFF, }
CHAS. MILLARD, } Assignees.
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WASHING & IRONING

Done in First Class Style by the undersigned, opposite Wells Fargo & Co., Yates street.
de30 TOY WHA.

Miscellaneous Advertisements.

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NEW BOOT & SHOE SHOP.

THE UNDERSIGNED RESpectfully informs his old customers that he has started a

Custom-made Boot & Shoe Shop

in the premises recently occupied by Mr. Watson, Jeweller, near the corner of

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where he will furnish his customers with all kinds of

BOOTS AND SHOES

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Preserver of Birds and Animals.

Eyes, &c. for Birds and Animals of every description.

KANE STREET, Victoria, B. C. je14.

NOTICE.
French Benevolent Society.

DR. POWELL having resigned as physician of the French Benevolent Society, members are informed that Dr. Ash has been appointed his successor, and will be found at his residence, Fort Street, from 9 to 12 A. M., and from 7 to 9 P. M. for free consultation.

By order of the Committee.
M. CAMSUSA,
de10 Secretary.

Notice.

ALL PARTIES INDEBTED to the estate of the late Joseph L. Smith are requested to make immediate payment; all bills remaining unpaid on the 1st January, 1873, will be placed in Court for collection, and all parties having claims against the estate will please send them to the undersigned for payment.

MRS. E. SMITH,
Administratrix.
Clinton, Nov. 18th, 1872. no28 6wdaw

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FORT STREET,

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MAUDE,

CAPTAIN .... HOLMES

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For Freight or Passage apply to the Captain on board. au15tf

Sloop For Sale.

A FOR SALE CHEAP a Sloop of about FOUR Tons.

For particulars apply to E. at this Office.
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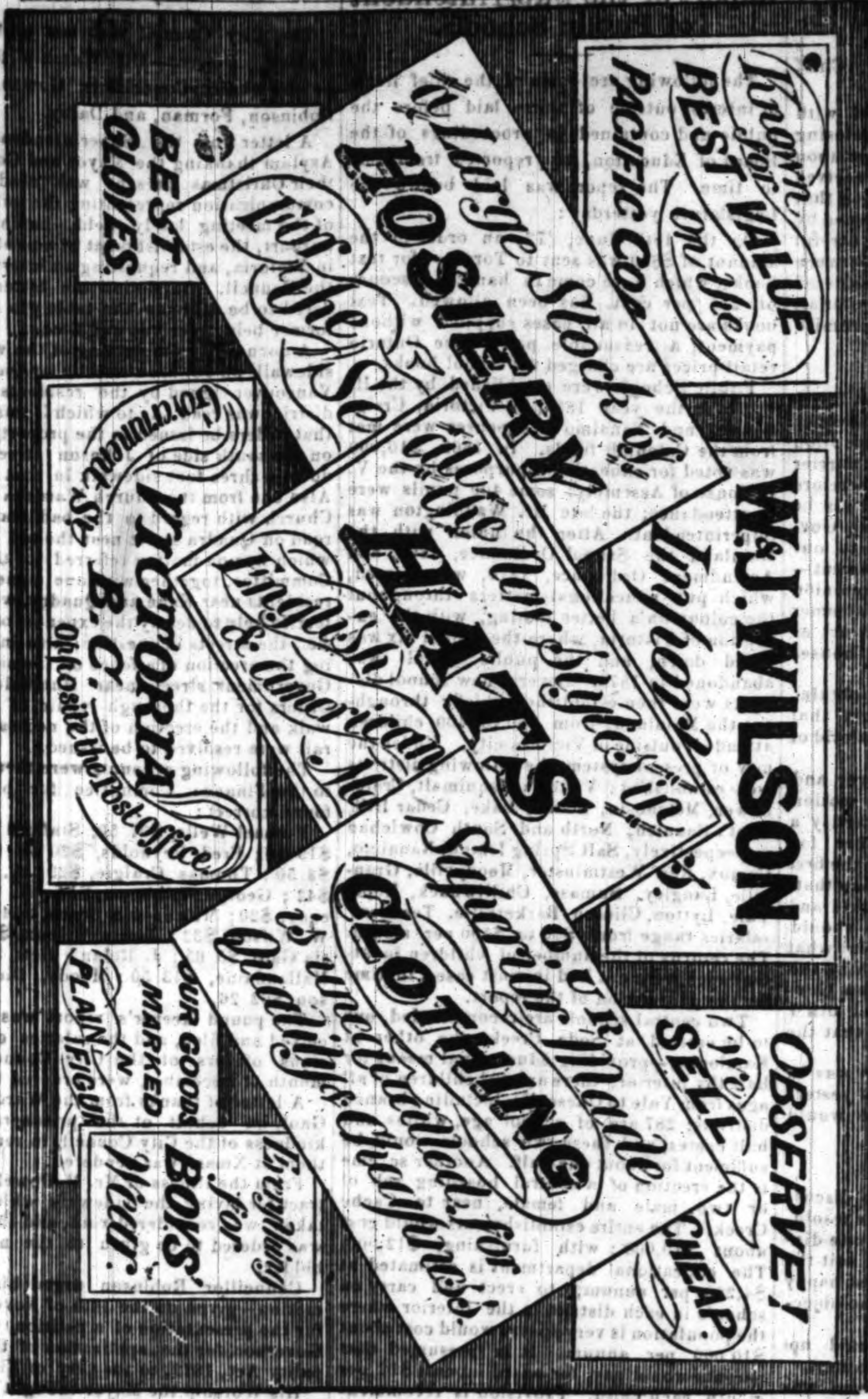
In the Supreme Court of British Columbia.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

A deed bearing date the 4th day of December, 1872, and made between Andrew William Piper of Government street, Victoria, Province of British Columbia, Baker and Confectioner of the first part, and Charles Thomas Millard of Wharf Street, Victoria aforesaid merchant, and Jules Rueff of the same place merchant of the second part, grants and assigns as in manner therein mentioned, all the estate and effects for the benefit of the creditors of the said Andrew William Piper. The execution of the said deed was attested by H. W. Tyrwhitt Drake, Solicitor, Supreme Court. The said deed was deposited in the Office of the Registrar Supreme Court for registration on Saturday, the seventh day of December, 1872, at 12:15 P. M. and was duly registered by me according to the Provision of the Bankruptcy Act 1862.

CHAS. E. POOLEY,
Deputy Registrar Supreme Court,
Supreme Court, Registrar's Office. de9

New Advertisements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A Large Stock of HOSIERY for the Season
Importer of all the New Styles in HATS English & American Ma
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OUR GOODS MARKED IN PLAIN FIGURES
Everything for BOYS' Wear.
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LANGLEY STREET.

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Board and Lodging per Week	$6 00
do do per Day	1 00
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The Bar is well supplied with the Best Wines, Liquors and Cigars.

A Fire-proof Safe in the House. au26dawtf

Notice of Copartnership.

THE UNDERSIGNED have entered into copartnership for the purpose of carrying on the business of Hotel keeping at the old stand known as Clinton Hotel, and would solicit a continuance of public patronage.

MRS. E. SMITH.
THOS. SPELMAN.
Clinton, Nov. 18th, 1872. no28

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A 1st AND 2nd OFFICER.
A B Seamen for London, Callao, Australia and China.

Apply to
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The Dominion Government Savings Banks

WILL BE OPENED for the Transaction of Business on MONDAY next the 2nd DECEMBER, at the following places, viz:—

VICTORIA,
Opposite Scotch House, Fort Street.
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Bank Hours 10 to 3 o'clock—Saturdays 10 to 12 o'clock
By Order.
JOHN GRAHAM,
Asst. Rec. Gen.
Victoria, Nov. 25th, 1872. dec25

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THE WELL BUILT SCHOONER

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130 Tons Burthen, Coppered and Copper fastened. Ready for sea.

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NOT DAUNTED BY DISASTER TAKE pleasure in announcing that they are prepared to fill all Orders in their line now and in the future, at the end of this week, or so soon possession can be obtained, the premises formerly occupied by them after undergoing thorough renovation and repair will be opened with a fine stock of select

GROCERIES

For the present orders left at Mr. Townsend's Poultry Store will receive prompt attention. dec30

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WHOLESALE, RETAIL AND Family Grocer.

HAS ALWAYS ON HAND A GENERAL Assortment of

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CORNER OF

Government and Fort Streets.
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New Advertisements.

Salt Spring Island Municipality.

[L. S.] JOSEPH W. TRUTCH.

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c.

To all to whom these presents shall come,—GREETING.

GEO. A. WALKEM, } Attorney General. } WHEREAS by Section 4 of "The Municipality Act, 1872," it is provided, that—"The Lieutenant Governor in Council, by Letters Patent, under the Public Seal of the Province, and upon the Petition of at least two-thirds of the male freeholders, householders, free miners, pre-emptors, and leaseholders for a term of not less than two years, being respectively of the full age of twenty-one years, and resident in any locality, in which locality there shall be not less than thirty male residents, as aforesaid, shall incorporate such locality as a Municipality;"

And whereas a Petition has been addressed to the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, as aforesaid, by two thirds of the male freeholders, householders, free miners, if any, pre-emptors, and leaseholders as aforesaid of Salt Spring Island, being respectively of the full age of twenty-one years, and resident in Salt Spring Island, in which locality there are thirty male residents as aforesaid, praying that the said Salt Spring Island may be incorporated as a Municipality;

And whereas JOSEPH WILLIAM TRUTCH, as such Lieutenant Governor in Council as aforesaid, under and by virtue of the powers and authorities conferred upon him in Council as aforesaid, by "The Municipality Act, 1872," and of all other powers and authorities him, as aforesaid, in that behalf enabling, hath ordered and proclaimed that all that piece of land known as Salt Spring Island and the inhabitants thereof, should, from and after the date hereof be incorporated as a Municipality, under the said Act, and under the provisions hereinafter contained or referred to.

NOW KNOW YE, that by these presents, We do hereby order and proclaim that the said piece of land, and the inhabitants thereof shall, from and after the date hereof, be incorporated as a Municipality, under the said Act, and under the provisions hereinafter contained or referred to.

The said Municipality shall be called and known by the name and style of "The Corporation of the Township of Salt Spring Island."

The said Municipality shall comprise all that piece or parcel of land known as Salt Spring Island.

The Council shall consist of seven Councillors, and the whole number present at each meeting thereof shall not be less than four.

The nomination for the first election of Councillors shall be on the 13th day of January, 1873, at 12 o'clock noon, and the election, in case a poll shall be demanded, shall be on the 14th day of January, and shall continue for one day only, and the poll shall be kept open between the hours of 9 a. m. and 5 p. m., and John Morley, Esquire, shall be the Returning Officer thereat.

The nomination shall take place, and the poll, if any, shall be held at the School House.

Ten days' notice of the time and place of nomination and holding of the poll shall be given by the said Returning Officer; such notice to be posted during that period on the outer door of the School House and both landing places in the Island.

Every person qualified to vote shall have seven votes, being one for each Councillor to be elected, but he may vote for any less number than seven. Provided, always, that he shall not cast more than one vote in favor of any one candidate, or vote on more than one occasion. And in the event of the number of votes being found to have been equal for any two or more Candidates, one or more of whom, but not all of such Candidates, being by the state of the poll entitled to be declared elected, the Returning Officer shall by a casting vote or votes, as the case may be, decide which of the Candidates for whom the votes may be equal shall be elected. Provided, that the said Returning Officer shall not vote except in the case of an equality of votes as aforesaid.

All expenses attendant upon said election shall be borne by the Candidates in equal proportion; such expenses shall not exceed in the whole one hundred dollars.

The Candidates (duly qualified) who shall obtain the greatest number of votes shall be Municipal Councillors.

The voting for Councillors shall be open, and no one shall vote by proxy.

If the Warden, or any of the Municipal Councillors, or any person on his or their behalf, or any person in partnership with him or them, shall enter into or obtain any interest, directly or indirectly, in any contract entered into by or with the Corporation, such Warden or Municipal Councillor having any interest in any contract, or having become disqualified as aforesaid, shall immediately be disqualified from continuing to be Warden or Municipal Councillor, as the case may be.

Provided, always, that if any Warden or Municipal Councillor, or either of them, shall vote at any meeting of the Municipal Council, or shall not resign his office within the space of one calendar month from the time when he shall have entered into or obtained any interest in any such contract as aforesaid, such Warden or Municipal Councillor shall forfeit to the Corporation a sum of two hundred and fifty dollars; and as to the said sum, the same may be recovered by action, to be brought in the name of the Corporation of the Township of Salt Spring Island; but all votes given under such circumstances shall be valid.

The Returning Officer shall, on the day of nomination, at noon, nominate such persons as shall be put in nomination in that behalf, by some duly qualified voter, as candidates for the office, as prescribed by "The Municipality Act, 1872;" a show of hands shall then take place, and the Returning Officer shall thereupon declare which of the candidates has or have been elected by the show of hands.

Any candidate, or voter on his behalf, may thereupon demand a poll, which shall be taken on the day of polling, and the Returning Officer shall, within twenty-four hours after the close of the poll, publicly declare the number polled for each candidate, and who has or have been elected by the greatest number of votes.

The Returning Officer, after the declaration of the poll, shall retain the poll books until a clerk shall be duly appointed, to whom he shall forthwith deliver the same; and such Returning Officer or clerk respectively, shall permit any reasonable inspection thereof by any duly qualified voter, and if required, furnish a certified copy thereof, upon payment of twenty-five cents per hundred words.

Every person who shall have presented himself for nomination, and who shall have been elected a Municipal Councillor, must serve, or in default pay a sum of two hundred and fifty dollars towards the municipal revenue; such sum, with costs, to be recoverable by the clerk of the Municipal Council summarily, before any Justice of the Peace aforesaid.

In case of the death, bankruptcy, insolvency, resignation, or permanent absence for the space of three consecutive calendar months, from the municipality, of the warden for the time being, or in case the warden shall decline to accept office, the Municipal Councillor who shall be selected by the Municipal Council for that purpose, shall preside at the meetings of the Municipal Council, and shall have the same powers, duties and privileges and be subject to the same liabilities and responsibilities which the warden would have had, and been subject to, if presiding, until the next day of election.

In case of the death, bankruptcy, insolvency, resignation, or permanent absence from the municipality for the space of three calendar months or of any one or more councillors or in case of a Municipal Councillor filling such vacancy in the office of warden, the warden shall, by writing, call on the Returning Officer to cause some duly qualified person to be elected in the stead of the vacating Councillor, by some day, not sooner than twenty-one days from the date of the said notice; and such election shall take place accordingly, and such Councillor shall act for the residue of the term for which such Councillor so dead, bankrupt, insolvent, absent, or resigned, would have held the same.

The warden shall, within ten days from such vacancy, fix the day for the nomination and election of such new Municipal Councillor or Councillors, and the nomination and polling shall be held in manner aforesaid.

The validity of all contested elections shall be tried before any Judge of the Supreme Court, in manner following: Any voter or candidate may present a petition to the said Supreme Court, praying that the election of any Municipal Councillor may be avoided, on either of the following grounds: By reason of bribery, intimidation, or undue influence; by reason of such Municipal Councillor not having obtained a majority of the votes of the duly qualified electors; by reason of such Municipal Councillor not possessing the requisite qualification, or being under some disqualification as aforesaid.

The petitioner shall, in each case, give such security for costs as the Court shall direct.

The order of the Judge on the said petition shall be final and conclusive, and may contain all necessary directions for the holding of new elections, or otherwise, as may be requisite.

Such Judge may, from time to time, make rules for regulating the trial of such petitions and the matters and things connected therewith.

The first meeting of the Council shall be held on the 20th day of January, 1873, at the place known as the School House, Salt Spring Island, at one, p m.

The Municipal Council shall hold its ordinary meetings openly, and no person shall be excluded, except for improper conduct. A special meeting may be open or closed, as in the opinion of the Municipal Council, expressed by resolution in writing, the public interests require.

All acts, whatsoever, authorized or required by virtue of "The Municipality Act, 1872," to be done by the Municipal Council, and all questions of adjournment, and others that may come before the Municipal Council may, save where otherwise expressed, be done and decided by the majority of the members of the Municipal Council who shall be present at any meeting held in pursuance of the said Act, or these Letters Patent, the whole number of members present at such meeting not being less than four; at such meeting, the warden, if present, shall preside, and the warden (or in the absence of the warden such Municipal Councillor as the members of the Municipal Council then assembled, shall choose to be the chairman of that meeting) shall have a casting vote in all cases of equality of votes; the minutes of the proceedings of all such meetings shall be drawn up and fairly entered into a book to be kept for that purpose, and shall be signed by the warden or Municipal Councillor presiding at such meeting; and the said minutes shall be open to the inspection of any person, who may make copies thereof and extracts therefrom, at all reasonable times, on payment each time of a fee of twenty-five cents.

Previous to the introduction of any business referring to the expenditure of any moneys, at any meeting of the Municipal Council a notice in writing of any business proposed to be brought forward by any member, shall be publicly exhibited for twenty-four hours previously to such meeting, in some public place to be agreed upon by the Municipal Council.

Previous to any meeting of the Municipal Council, other than adjourned meetings, a notice of the time and place of such intended meeting shall be given three days at least before such meeting, by fixing a copy of the said notice at the Municipal Council Chambers; and such notice shall be signed by the warden, who shall have power to call a meeting of the Municipal Council as often as he shall think proper.

In case the warden shall refuse or neglect to call a meeting within three days after a requisition for that purpose, signed by three members of the Municipal Council at the least, shall have been presented to him, it shall be lawful for the three said members to call a meeting of the Municipal Council, by giving such notice as is hereinafter declared in that behalf; such notice to be signed by the said three members, instead of the warden, and stating therein the business proposed to be transacted at such meeting; and, in every case, a summons to attend the Municipal Council, specifying the business proposed to be transacted at such meeting, signed by the warden, or the members, as the case may be, shall be left at the usual places of abode of every member of the Municipal Council, or at the premises in the Municipality where he resides, three clear days at least before such meeting; and no business shall be transacted at such meeting other than the business which is specified in the notice.

The Municipal Council may, out of their own body, from time to time, appoint such and so many Committees, and consisting of such members as they may think fit, for any purposes which, in the discretion of the Municipal Council, would be better regulated and managed by means of such Committees, but all proceedings of such Committees shall be subject to the approval of the Municipal Council.

Every By-Law shall be passed by the vote or resolution of at least three members of the Municipal Council, and at a meeting where at least four members of the Municipal Council shall be present.

A copy of every By-law shall be transmitted to the Governor by the Clerk of the Municipal Council, within one week after the final passage of the same, signed by the said Clerk, and countersigned by the Warden or presiding Municipal Councillor.

At the first meeting of the Council, the Councillors shall elect one of their number to act as Chairman, and to be designated as Warden of Salt Spring Island, and his powers, privileges, and duties, save as altered by or inconsistent with, these Letters Patent, shall be the same as those prescribed by "The Municipality Act, 1872."

At such first meeting, or as soon thereafter as possible, the Council may appoint a Clerk, Treasurer, Collector, and Assessor, or such officers as they may deem necessary, who shall hold office during the pleasure of the Council, and receive such remuneration as the Council may by By-law appoint.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, we have caused these Letters to be made Patent, and the Public Seal of the Province of British Columbia to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, the Honorable JOSEPH WILLIAM TRUTCH, Lieutenant-Governor of the said Province of British Columbia, in the City of Victoria, in the said Province, this twenty-third day of December, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two, and in the thirty-sixth year of our reign.

By Command.
JOHN ASH,
Provincial Secretary.

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